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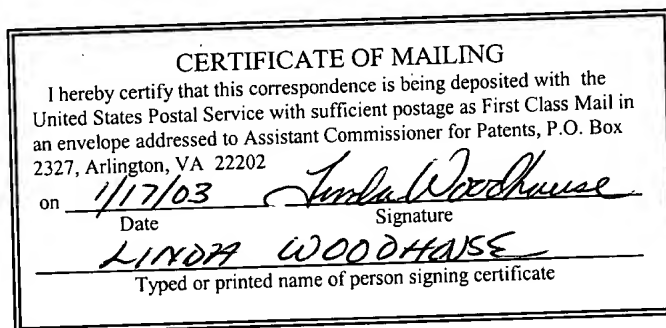
For: COMPOUND FOR TREATMENT OF ANXIETY AND METHODS
OF PREPARATION AND USE THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel Claim 11 without-prejudice.

Please amend Claims 13-16. Amendments to the claims are indicated in the attached

"Marked Up Version of Amendments" (page i).

13. (Amended) A method of treating anxiety in a patient in need thereof comprising administering an effective non-toxic dose to the patient of a compound of the formula:

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